

Sat, June 8 is our next sampling date

Sampling Reminders

Both Lynn and Teresa will be out of town in June. If you have an issue, or find out you cannot sample, please contact:

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- Coolers are in place from 8 am 10:30 am.
- Please remember to wear your safety vest.
- Please mark the time and date on your labels of when you collected the sample. None of the sample times should be the same unless you are a time traveler :)
- Remember to sign in your samples in the lock box then place your sample in the cooler. Both coolers use the same code.
- Sign your sample into the cooler with the drop off time.
- · Keep the cooler lid closed as much as possible
- Remember to grab bottles for the following month. It's always helpful to have a spare bottle in case one accidentally "jumps" into the creek.
- If there is not enough water to sample, fill out label saying dry, or too low to sample, then attached to a bottle and place in the cooler.
- **Duplicate samples** when you sign them into the cooler, put the number "2" next to the sample ID.





Sunday Bacteria Count

Would you like to help Tera do the bacteria count on Sunday after Stream Team Saturday? If so you can sign up at <u>https://doodle.com/poll/h62cuxdbp5ytxwbk</u> or <u>Contact Tera</u> directly. **When**: The Sunday after sampling Saturday from 10:30 am - until finish which is typically between 1 & 2

pm.

Where: Stream Team Lab, Rm 7 in Shideler Hall



Stream Ecology Class

June 22 from 9 am - 11 am

Indian Creek Park in Reily (St Rt 732 entrance)

We will share some background on many of the macroinvertebrates that live in the creek. Then we'll get in the water and collect a sample. By identifying the creatures in the sample, we can assess the biological health of the water.

This class is geared towards adults and teens.

Contact me with any questions 513-785-6666 or whitelr@butlercountyohio.org

Children's Creek Programs

The class above is for adults, but we haven't forgotten about kids. Throughout the summer there are a number of creek programs for kids.

- Every Thursday, I will be partnering with Metroparks to visit a creek or pond. See <u>www.ButlerSWCD.org</u> for info.
- Wednesday, June 19 at 9:30 am, I will be working with Three Valley Conservation Trust at a great location along Four mile Creek (Thanks Bev). Contact 3 Valley for more info <u>https://www.3vct.org/contact</u>
- August 24, 11 am at Dudley Woods Park, Hankins Rd in Liberty Twp. I will be partnering with liberty Twp Parks. <u>https://www.liberty-township.com/calendar.aspx?</u> view=list&year=2019&month=8&day=24



BEST Volunteers

Maddie and Lynn are running a new monthly volunteer program. Be one of the BEST and join Butler Soil and Water for some conservation volunteer days. In June we removed honeysuckle from Silvoor Biological Sanctuary and removed cattails and planted willow stakes (pictured above) at a wetland and creek in West Chester. Throughout the coming months, we plan to remove honeysuckle, label storm drains, clean up a stream, and collect stream biology samples.

- June 22—Indian Creek Metropark. Learn how to conduct a biological sample of a stream.
- July 27—Storm Drain Labeling (weather dependent). Meet at Butler SWCD. 9 am
- August 24—Dudley Woods. Learn how to conduct a biological sample of a stream.
- September 21—We are thinking about heading to Beckett Ridge to a water quality basin to remove more invasive plants. We will post details as it draws nearer.
- October 26—Clean Sweep of the Great Miami River. Multiple locations to choose from. 9 am—12 pm.

Find out more at www.butlerswcd.org/volunteer



The "Wild & Scenic Film Festival On Tour" is back! The Ohio River Foundation (ORF) is bringing the national showcase of environmental and adventure films, one of the largest festivals of its kind in North America, to Cincinnati for a third year. <u>TICKETS NOW ON SALE</u>!

- Twelve engaging short films on a variety of topics -- ranging from protecting waterways and animal species to fostering a love of nature in young children -- are on the program for this year's event. It will take place on Saturday, June 8 at The Winton Centre - Great Parks of Hamilton County, 10245 Winton Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45231.
- The event kicks off with a 5 p.m. nature hike and then a lite bites reception at 5:30 p.m., during which attendees can connect with local environmental groups and have a hands-on mussel experience (we'll have several live specimens in aquaria). A cash bar will be available. Film screenings will begin at 7 p.m. and run until approximately 10 p.m., with a raffle (including, for teachers, a free River Explorer field trip and Mussels in the Classroom experience) offered during intermission.
- Tickets are \$15 if you purchase by midnight June 1. After June 1 the price increases to \$20. They
 are for sale now <u>on ORF's website</u>. More information is also available on <u>the event's Facebook</u>
 page.
- Volunteer (5-7pm) and gain free admission Offer to volunteer here.



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